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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: **Takuya SAITOU et al.**

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For: **NUMERIC VALUE SEARCH APPARATUS AND NUMERIC VALUE SEARCH
METHOD**

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

September 17, 2003

Sir:

Prior to the calculation of the filing fees of the above application, please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 2 of this paper.